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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

RE APPLICATION OF:

Toshiki NANYA et al.

: GROUP ART UNIT: 1756

SERIAL NO.: 09/964,622

: EXAMINER: RODEE, CHRISTOPHER

FILED: SEPTEMBER 28, 2001

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FOR: TONER, DEVELOPER AND CONTAINER FOR THE DEVELOPER, AND  
METHOD OF AND APPARATUS FOR FORMING AN IMAGE

LETTER TO THE COMMISSIONER

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Responsive to the Notice dated April 10, 2003, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this Notice. Further, Applicants request that the Information Disclosure Statement timely filed June 5, 2002, be entered.

Responsive to the Notice, Applicants re-file herewith an Information Disclosure Statement. Copies of the papers as filed, along with a copy of the date-stamped filing receipt therefor, as evidence of the filing are enclosed herewith.

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Applicants respectfully requests entry and full consideration of all documents as filed on  
June 5, 2002.

Respectfully submitted,

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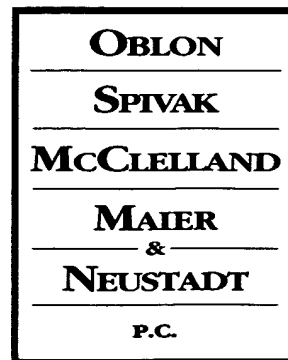


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Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

**Letter to the Commissioner / Copy of Information Disclosure Statement (2) w/PTO Form 1449(2) filed June 5, 2002 / Copy of Date-Stamped Filing Receipt Dated June 5, 2002**

Our check in the amount of \$0.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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REFERENCES

- ☒ The applicant(s) wish to make of record the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed references are attached, where required, as are either statements of relevancy or any readily available English translations of pertinent portions of any non-English language references.
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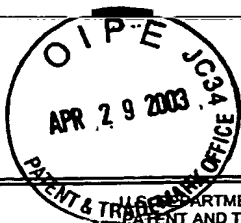
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The following has been received in the U.S. Patent Office on the date stamped hereon:

- ☐ pp. Specification & Claims/Drawings Sheets
- ☐ Combined Declaration, Petition & Power of Attorney pages
- ☐ List of Inventor Names and Addresses
- ☐ Utility Patent Application ☐ CPA
- ☐ Notice of Priority ☐ Priority Doc
- ☐ Check for ☒ Dep. Acct. Order Form
- ☐ Fee Transmittal Form
- ☐ Assignment/PTO-1595 pages:
- ☐ Letter to Official Draftsman
- ☐ Letter Requesting Approval of Drawing Changes
- ☐ Drawings sheets ☐ Formal
- ☐ Letter
- ☐ Amendment
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (2)
- ☒ Cited References ( 6 )
- ☒ EUROPEAN Search Report
- ☐ Statement of Relevancy
- ☐ English Abstracts, Concise Explanation, English Translation, Partial English Translation ( )
- ☐ IDS/Related/List of Related Cases ☐ Cited Pending Applications ( )
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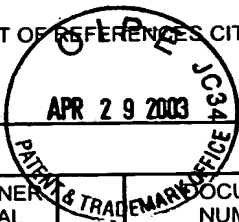


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